# **Investigations**

### Mission:

The Investigations Branch is responsible for the investigation of all major crimes that occur in York County. Major crimes are defined as murder, rape, robbery, assault, burglary, larceny, motor vehicle theft, and arson. This branch is also responsible for the investigation of drug-related crimes. Tasks associated with these investigations are crime scene search; evidence collection; interviewing witnesses and suspects; and presenting testimony in criminal trials.

## Goals:

- To investigate thoroughly and competently all major crimes that occur in York County.
- To identify, collect, and preserve all pertinent evidence present at the scene of major crimes.
- To present competent testimony relative to the investigation in the Courts of York County and work with the York County Commonwealth's Attorney's Office to ensure that persons that commit these crimes are successfully prosecuted.

### Implementation Strategies for FY2005:

- Facilitate a collaborative effort between the Investigations Division, Victim-Witness Assistance Program, Commonwealth's Attorney, and Child Protective Services focusing on child sexual assault investigations.
- Facilitate a collaborative effort between the Investigations Division, Victim-Witness Assistance Program, Commonwealth's Attorney, and Adult Protective Services focusing on the abuse and exploitation of the elderly under the care of others.
- To continue the acquisition and utilization of digital photography equipment for evidence collection and preservation at crime scenes.
- To continue to provide the community with thorough and timely investigations by providing competent trained investigators with state-of-the-art criminal investigative resources.

# **Budget Issues**:

- In FY2003, two deputy positions were transferred from Law Enforcement to support the continued operations in Investigations. Also, an investigator's position was changed to a captain's position to head the Investigative unit.
- For FY2005, funding increases for the routine replacement of computers.

General Fund Expenditures	FY2001 Actual Expenditures	FY2002 Actual Expenditures	FY2003 Actual Expenditures	FY2004 Original Budget	FY2004 Expected Appropriations	FY2005 Adopted Budget
30313 Investigations						
Personnel Services	542,965	538,379	636,248	733,965	774,188	986,540
Contractual Services	6,770	6,297	6,985	8,100	8,100	10,480
Internal Services	42,696	53,654	67,097	78,300	78,300	84,280
Other Charges	12,822	13,931	13,868	16,000	16,000	17,800
Materials & Supplies	13,771	13,708	14,280	20,800	18,800	23,220
Capital Outlay	10,084	3,420	6,394	5,200	4,450	6,700
Grant Activity				<del>-</del>	3,000	<del>-</del>
Activity Total	629,108	629,389	744,872	862,365	902,838	1,129,020
Percentage Change	9.03%	0.04%	18.35%	15.77%	N/A	30.92%
FTE's						
Management Professional/Technical	-	-	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Admin/Clerical	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
Specialized Safety	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	12.00	12.00
Total	9.50	9.50	11.50	11.50	13.50	13.50

